

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant responds herein to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004.

It is noted for the record that the Examiner has previously agreed to allow the claims if claims 17 and 18 were to have been deleted. Claims 17 and 18 have now been amended to essentially incorporate the grounds for allowability that are indicated in the Office Action.

Having indicated that claims 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 16, 19 and 20 are formally allowed, and the applicant having taken the action as noted above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims in the application should be formally allowed.

Newly presented claims 21 and 22 are comparable in scope to previously submitted claims and do not present any real issues after a Final Rejection.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application, allow the claims as amended and pass this case to issue.

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